

Hello CEDARS LEA Trainers!

As the school year comes to a close, the CEDARS team at DPI wanted to give you an update on the state of the longitudinal database (CDW) since we last met.

Progress continues to be made in loading your local data into the warehouse. Some key items of interest include:

- SY 2008/2009 test data has been removed
- SY 2009/2010 is complete with the exception of:
 - School Safety files
- SY 2010/2011 is complete with the exception of:
 - Student Snapshots
 - Some Staff Snapshots

As a reminder snapshot information within the CDW is labeled as 'Point –in-Time'
- SY 2011/2012 is in progress. The following has been loaded:
 - District and school information

Student and Staff related data is scheduled to be loaded within the next month

Our goal remains to continue to build a robust, quality warehouse, able to support data driven decision making at the local level. We encourage our first wave of users to explore the warehouse and share thoughts on reporting capability, dashboard interface design, and any data feedback you may have. We know that suggestions and comments from the local users is the path to making the warehouse the tool it's intended to be.

Additionally the CEDARS team has been working on the development of following support materials and events which we plan to publish during the summer months:

- Data Submission and Loading schedule to assist in local planning
- CDW Data Dictionary
- SY 2012/2013 CDW refresher and advanced webinar schedule
- Wiki environment for CDW Trainer networking activities

Thanks to all who attended last fall's overview and functional training events. If you have any questions regarding security, access, navigation or data please submit your questions to CEDARS-info@dpi.nc.gov